## House File 133 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 133 BY STECKMAN

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the provision of financial institution
- 2 records for the purposes of determining eligibility for
- 3 Medicaid, and providing a penalty.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **249A.38A Financial institutions** 2 request for records penalty.
- 3 l. Upon written request signed by an authorized employee or
- 4 agent of the department, a financial institution shall provide,
- 5 without charge, the deposit and withdrawal records from the
- 6 preceding five years for an applicant for or recipient of
- 7 medical assistance to any authorized employee or agent of the
- 8 department or to the applicant or recipient.
- 9 2. The department shall develop and make available an easily
- 10 downloadable request form bearing an electronic signature of an
- 11 authorized employee or agent of the department to be used by an
- 12 applicant or recipient in requesting the records specified in
- 13 this section.
- 3. A financial institution that unreasonably refuses to
- 15 provide the records specified in this section within the time
- 16 limit provided in the request or that willfully provides false
- 17 information in the response to the request shall be assessed a
- 18 civil penalty of not more than fifty dollars.
- 19 4. For the purposes of this section, "financial institution"
- 20 means financial institution as defined in section 252I.1.
- 21 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 24 This bill requires that upon written request signed by
- 25 an authorized employee or agent of the department of human
- 26 services (DHS), a financial institution shall provide, without
- 27 charge, the deposit and withdrawal records from the preceding
- 28 five years for an applicant for or recipient of Medicaid to
- 29 any authorized employee or agent of DHS or to the applicant
- 30 or recipient. The bill directs DHS to develop and make
- 31 available an easily downloadable request form bearing an
- 32 electronic signature of an authorized employee or agent of
- 33 DHS to be used by an applicant or recipient in requesting the
- 34 records specified in the bill. A financial institution that
- 35 unreasonably refuses to provide the records specified within

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- 2 provides false information in the response to the request shall
- 3 be assessed a civil penalty of not more than \$50.